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TO : Assistant Director, Reports and Estimates

DATE: 16 March 1949

FROM : Chief, Map Branch, ORE

SUBJECT: Foreign Map Procurement

- 1. Attached for your information are four tables summarizing the quantitative results of the foreign map procurement program during the calendar year 1948. The requirements of the U.S. mapping agencies are coordinated, as you know, within the Map Branch. The operational aspects of U.S. Government responsibility in the map exchanges with foreign agencies also fall to the lot of the Map Branch.
- 2. The distribution of quantities received (Table 1) reflects the travels of the procurement officers abroad. There is usually a lag of one to several months between initial contacts and flow of material. Availability varies with country and organization.
- 3. The adequacy of procurement (Table 2) is based on a subjective evaluation of the probable production versus quantity and quality of the "take", irrespective of the security or operational difficulties facing the procurement officers. In several instances, Washington was unable to provide full requirements in time to be of maximum assistance to the officers abroad.
  - 4. Tables 3 and 4 are self-explanatory.

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